

**BINDER CONTENT OF HOT MIX ASPHALT
BY THE
IGNITION METHOD
ITM 586**

APPARATUS

- [] Ignition Oven
 - [] Forced air ignition furnace capable of maintaining a temperature of $1100 \pm 9^{\circ}\text{F}$
 - [] Equipped with an internal balance, thermally isolated from the oven chamber, able to measure up to 6000 g. Documentation of annual calibration in accordance with ITM 910 available
 - [] Chamber dimensions adequate to accommodate sample size of 3500 g
 - [] Door locks until completion of test
 - [] Method for minimizing furnace emissions provided
 - [] Oven vented into hood or to outside
 - [] Oven has fan capable of pulling air through furnace
 - [] Oven has an automatic shut off that can be set at 0.01% of the sample weight
 - [] Oven has an alarm to indicate when test is complete
- [] Sample baskets made of heat resistant screen mesh with openings of approximately 0.1 in. Multiple baskets may be nested one on top of the other
- [] Catch pan of sufficient size to hold the sample basket(s)

PROCEDURE

- [] Lab oven heated to $221 \pm 9^{\circ}\text{F}$
- [] Stability threshold of ignition oven set at 0.01 percent mass loss for three minutes. Stability threshold value recorded.
- [] Lift on ignition scale is set as required by manufacturer
- [] Ignition oven preheated to test temperature and temperature recorded
- [] Mix calibration factor in percent at the specified temperature is recorded
- [] Sample dried to constant weight in accordance with ITM 572
- [] Sample meets the following requirements:

<u>Mixture Designation</u>	<u>Minimum Sample Weight, g</u>
4.75 mm	1200
9.5 mm	1200
12.5 mm	1500
19.0 mm, C19.0 mm	2000
25.0 mm, C25.0 mm	3000
37.5 mm	4000

- [] If sample size exceeds capacity of ignition oven, sample is reduced in accordance with ITM 587

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- [] Weight of ignition oven basket assembly measured using an external balance and recorded
 - [] Bottom basket placed inside catch pan
 - [] An equal portion of sample placed in each of the ignition oven baskets as they are stacked. Sample spread evenly over bottom of each basket and there is a 1 in. border between the edge of the sample and the side of the basket
 - [] Lid and guards are attached to oven basket
 - [] Weight of ignition oven basket assembly with sample is measured using an external balance and recorded
 - [] Weight of sample determined by:

$$\text{Weight(g)} = (\text{weight of basket assembly(g)} + \text{sample(g)}) \\ - \text{weight of basket assembly(g)}$$

- [] Calibration factor and weight of sample(g) entered into ignition oven computer
- [] Ignition oven basket assembly and sample placed in ignition oven
- [] Sample burned in ignition oven until oven shuts off automatically
- [] Basket assembly removed from the oven, placed on firm heat resistant surface, covered with protective cage, and allowed to cool to room temperature
- [] Oven ticket removed from ignition oven and calibrated binder content recorded to nearest 0.01%

NA - Not Applicable

X - Requires Corrective Action

√ - Satisfactory

Acceptance Technician

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Date

Comments _____
